

25. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 23, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

43. (Four Times Amended) A method of making an aerosol composition comprising:

- (a) milling under pressurized conditions in a non-aqueous medium the following:
 - (i) a poorly soluble crystalline drug, wherein by "poorly soluble" it is meant that the drug has a solubility in the non-aqueous dispersion medium of less than about 10 mg/ml, and
 - (ii) a surface modifier, to obtain a drug having an effective average particle size of less than about 1000 nm, meaning at least 50% of the drug particles have a particle size of less than about 1000 nm;
- (b) evaporating the non-aqueous medium to obtain a dry powder of aggregates of drug and surface modifier particles, wherein the aggregates have a diameter of less than or equal to about 100 microns; and
- (c) formulating the dry powder aggregates into an aerosol composition.

71. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 19, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the

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lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

73. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 20, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

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75. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 22, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

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77. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 30, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

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79. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 31, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the

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lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

81. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 33, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

83. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 35, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

97. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 42, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

104. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 43, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the

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lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

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111. (Amended) The aerosol composition of claim 44, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, elastase inhibitors, analgesics, cystic-fibrosis therapies, asthma therapies, emphysema therapies, respiratory distress syndrome therapies, chronic bronchitis therapies, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease therapies, organ-transplant rejection therapies, therapies for tuberculosis and other infections of the lung, fungal infection therapies, and respiratory illness therapies associated with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, an oncology drug, an anti-emetic, and a cardiovascular agent.

2 Please add the following new claims:

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118. (New) The aerosol composition of any one of claims 14, 25, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, or 83 wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of a bronchodilator, a corticosteroid, and an anti-fungal.

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119. (New) The method of any one of claims 97, 104, or 111 wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of a bronchodilator, a corticosteroid, and an anti-fungal.

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REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicants thank Examiner Ware for the telephonic discussion regarding the Amendment dated May 5, 2001, confirmed to have been entered in conjunction with the filing of the present Continued Prosecution Application.